

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The system is illustrated by way of example and not limitation in the figures of the accompanying drawings in which like references ~~indicated~~ indicate similar elements and in which:

Figure 1 is a block diagram of connectivity establishment over a prior art integrated services digital network.

Figure 2 is a block diagram of issues present with connectivity establishment in the prior art network of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a block diagram of a network infrastructure configured in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 4 is a diagram illustrating an MPLS connection establishment for a voice infrastructure configured in accordance to one embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 5 is a flow diagram for an MPLS connection establishment procedure according to one embodiment of the present invention.